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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277

Gordon SCHMEISSER : Confirmation Number: 3879

Serial No.: 09/884,928 : Group Art Unit: 2181

Filed: June 21, 2001 : Examiner: not yet assigned

For: DETACHABLE CARTRIDGE UNIT AND AUXILIARY UNIT FOR FUNCTION

EXPANSION OF A DATA PROCESSING SYSTEM

## STATUS INQUIRY

Mail Stop Status Inquiry Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

A new utility application was filed in the referenced application on June 21, 2001. Since more than two years have elapsed since that date, and no response has been received by attorney for applicant, Applicant respectfully requests that the undersigned attorney be informed of the status of the referenced application.

Respectfully submitted,

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